

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: § Filed: December 1, 2003
Walton et al. §
Serial No.: 10/725,904 § Group Art Unit: 2616
Confirmation No.: 3195 § Examiner: Raj K. Jain

For: Method and Apparatus for Providing an Efficient Control Channel Structure in a
Wireless Communication System

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Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO ACCOMPANY RCE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 13, 2008, having an extended period for response set to expire on April 13, 2009, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3. Remarks begin on page 11.

Petition for Extension of Time:

Applicants hereby petition for a 2-month extension of time to extend the three-month shortened statutory period for reply as set by the Examiner to cover the date this Response is filed. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 17-0026 for the requisite 2-month extension fee of \$490.00.